

News Release

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Blackwater NWR Announces Partial Closure of the Wildlife Drive

Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge will be closing the first section of the Wildlife Drive on Monday, February 29, 2016, for much needed asphalt work. Refuge staff estimates it will take approximately one week to complete the work. During this time visitors will still be able to access a portion of the drive, free of charge, by entering through the headquarters parking lot. The area of the Drive affected by the closure will be everything from the start of the drive to the Woods Trail parking lot, including the Marsh Edge trail, observation platform, and photo blind. The Woods Trail and adjoining parking lot will remain open. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. For more information, please call 410-228-2677.

Update 3/5/2016:

The entrance of the Wildlife Drive will remain closed through the weekend, and will reopen Monday, March 7. Visitors can access the Drive free of charge through the Headquarters parking lot. The portion of the Drive east of the Woods Trail parking lot will be open to walking and cycling only. The remainder of the Drive west of the Woods Trail parking lot will be open to all traffic.

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